

Committee of the Whole (2) Report

DATE: Tuesday, March 8, 2021

WARD(S): ALL

TITLE: HERITAGE VAUGHAN COMMITTEE VACANCY

FROM:

Wendy Law, Deputy City Manager, Administrative Services and City Solicitor

ACTION: DECISION

Purpose

To inform Council of a vacancy in the Heritage Vaughan Committee due to the lack of attendance of a member and to recommend that this vacancy not be filled.

Report Highlights

- Member Antonio Iafano of the Heritage Vaughan Committee has been absent for more than three (3) consecutive Heritage Vaughan Committee meetings.
- The Heritage Vaughan Committee is recommending that the vacancy created from Mr. Iafano's lack of attendance not be filled.

Recommendations

1. That Antonio Iafano be removed from the Heritage Vaughan Committee due to lack of attendance; and
2. That the vacancy not be filled.

Background

The Heritage Vaughan Committee is a statutory committee which has its' members appointed at the beginning of every new term of Council. Its mandate is to encourage community involvement and recommendations to Council on the identification, conservation and preservation of buildings and landscapes of cultural heritage value or interest, as individual properties or as heritage conservation districts pursuant to the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

The membership is composed of up to eighteen (18) members, which may include Members of Council, with the Mayor as ex-officio.

The majority of members shall be qualified professionals with the following expertise:

- Architecture
- Cultural landscapes
- Archaeology
- Urban design and planning
- Natural heritage
- Land development
- Law
- Local history
- Culture
- Education

Members are to be appointed by Council. Any changes to the membership will require Council approval.

Previous Reports/Authority

[Extract from January 29, 2019 \(APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY COMMITTEES AND VAUGHAN\)](#)

Analysis and Options

Terms of Reference

The Terms of Reference provides that up to eighteen (18) citizen representatives are appointed to the Committee. The Heritage Vaughan Committee currently has 13 active members.

Policy for Statutory Committees

As per Policy CL-005 (Guidelines and Procedures for Statutory and Non-statutory Committees and Boards):

If a member is absent from meetings of the Committee for three (3) consecutive regularly scheduled meetings, or in the opinion of the Committee if any member's absenteeism jeopardizes the objectives of the Committee, the Committee shall pass a resolution requesting Council to appoint a replacement member.

Mr. Antonio Iafano has been absent for more than three meetings. There have been multiple efforts to contact Mr. Iafano, but staff have been unable to reach him. The

Office of the City Clerk advised the Heritage Vaughan Committee of the member's attendance issue.

At its' meeting of February 17, 2021, the Heritage Vaughan Committee recommended the following (Report 2, Item 4):

- 1) That the vacancy created due to lack of a member's attendance, not be filled.

The members of the Heritage Vaughan Committee resolved that they are able effectively conduct their business with the number of members they currently have on the Committee.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact associated with this report.

Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations

There are no Regional Impacts/Considerations associated with this report.

Conclusion

A request by the Heritage Vaughan Committee has been put forth to not fill the vacancy created by the absence of a member.

For more information, please contact Todd Coles, City Clerk, Extension 8281

Attachments

N/A

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